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The Conservator reports the loan to the Section of two microscopes by Dr. Morris, which are of value as models of ancient and peculiar construction. Mr. Shumo presented numerous specimens brought by him from Jamaica.

The Section has lost by death Mr. Chas. P. Perot, for a long time our Treasurer and valued member. Resolutions of respect were passed and presented at the meeting of the Academy.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Director, . . . . . J. Cheston Morris, M. D.

Vice-Director, . . . T. Chalkley Palmer.

Treasurer, . . . . Lewis Woolman.

Conservator, . . . . . F. J. Keeley.

CHARLES S. BOYER,

Recorder.

## REPORT OF THE CONCHOLOGICAL SECTION.

Work on the collection during the past year has been confined mainly to the reidentification of the Bulimulidæ and other groups monographed in the *Manual of Conchology*, the rearrangement of part of the fresh-water shells, and the renovation and cataloguing of the alcoholic mollusks.

The accessions to the conchological museum have been important, though no single collection of great size has been received. A large number of new species and species new to the collection having been secured. Additions to our North American series have been made by Messrs. J. H. Ferris, R. C. McGregor, E. H. Ashmun and P. B. Randolph, whose collections from the Great Smoky Mountains, northern California, New Mexico and Alaska respectively, are worthy of special mention among those of the large number of naturalists Dr. H. von Ihering has who have added to our American series. continued to send valuabe South American consignments, including a large series of alcoholic land snails from Brazil. The New Zealand collection received from Mr. H. Suter, and the Australian species from Messrs. W. T. Bednall and J. C. Cox, with a large number of land shells new to the collection, purchased by the Conchological Section and the Academy, materially augment the series of non-American mollusks.

Throughout the year the Conservator has been efficiently assisted by Mr. E. G. Vanatta.

The accessions of the year are enumerated in the list of additions to the Museum.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting in December:—

Conservator

## REPORT OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SECTION.

This has been a very busy year in the history of the Entomological Section. The collections have been well cared for with the assistance of Mr. W. J. Gerhard and Mr. Alfred Satterthwaite. and by individual members interested in special branches of entomology. The rearrangement of the American Coleoptera is nearly completed and valuable work has been done on the exotic species by Dr. H. G. Griffith. The unarranged material in the Horn Collection has been placed in safe receptacles preparatory to proper incorporation in the main collection. Special groups in this collection have been loaned to specialists for study and revision. families in the Diptera have been rearranged by Mr. C. W. Johnson, in new book boxes purchased for the purpose. Two large boxes of Hemiptera have been purchased, representing a large number of specimens, quite a number of them being new to the The Membracidæ have been arranged by Mr. Gerhard with the aid of Dr. F. W. Goding, an authority on this subject. The Neuroptera, other than the Odonata, and the Orthoptera have been properly placed in new receptacles by the Conservator.

Prof. James S. Hine has studied and properly identified our material in the genus *Bittacus*, of which we now have a representative collection. Dr. Calvert has had the care of the Odonata; our collection in this branch is among the very finest in the world. In the Lepidoptera we are indebted to Prof. C. H. Fernald, of Amherst, Mass. who has studied and revised the Pterophoridæ, a very